

REMARKS

Claims 30, 32-36, 38-42, 44-50, 52, 53, and 55-60 are pending. Claims 30, 38, 41, and 50 have been are currently amended. Claims 1-29, 31, 37, 43, 51, and 54 have been cancelled. New claims 59 and 60 have been added. Claims 50 and 52-58 are withdrawn.

Examination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, is requested.

The claims are now further amended to further distinguish the claimed invention from the references relied on in the Office Action dated January 10, 2008, and in the Appeal therefrom.

Support for the amendment to claim 30 can be found, for example, in Paragraphs 0043, 0045, and 0048, and FIGS. 4A and 4B.

The dependency of claim 38 has been amended in view of the amendment to claim 30, and the cancellation of claim 37.

Claim 41 has been amended to incorporate the language of claim 30 (prior to the current amendment of claim 30). Further, claim 41 has been amended to specify that at least one of the first or second non-intumescent layers has a major surface in contact with the internal major surface of the housing. Support for the latter can be found in the specification, for example, in Paragraphs 0005, 0140, and 10141, and FIGS. 7 and 8.

Support for the amendment to claim 50 can be found, for example, in Paragraph 0043, 0045, and 0048, and FIGS. 4A and 4B.


Support for new claims 59 and 60 can be found in the specification, for example, in Paragraph 0043, 0045, and 0048, and FIGS. 4A and 4B.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

Examination and reconsideration of the application as amended is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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